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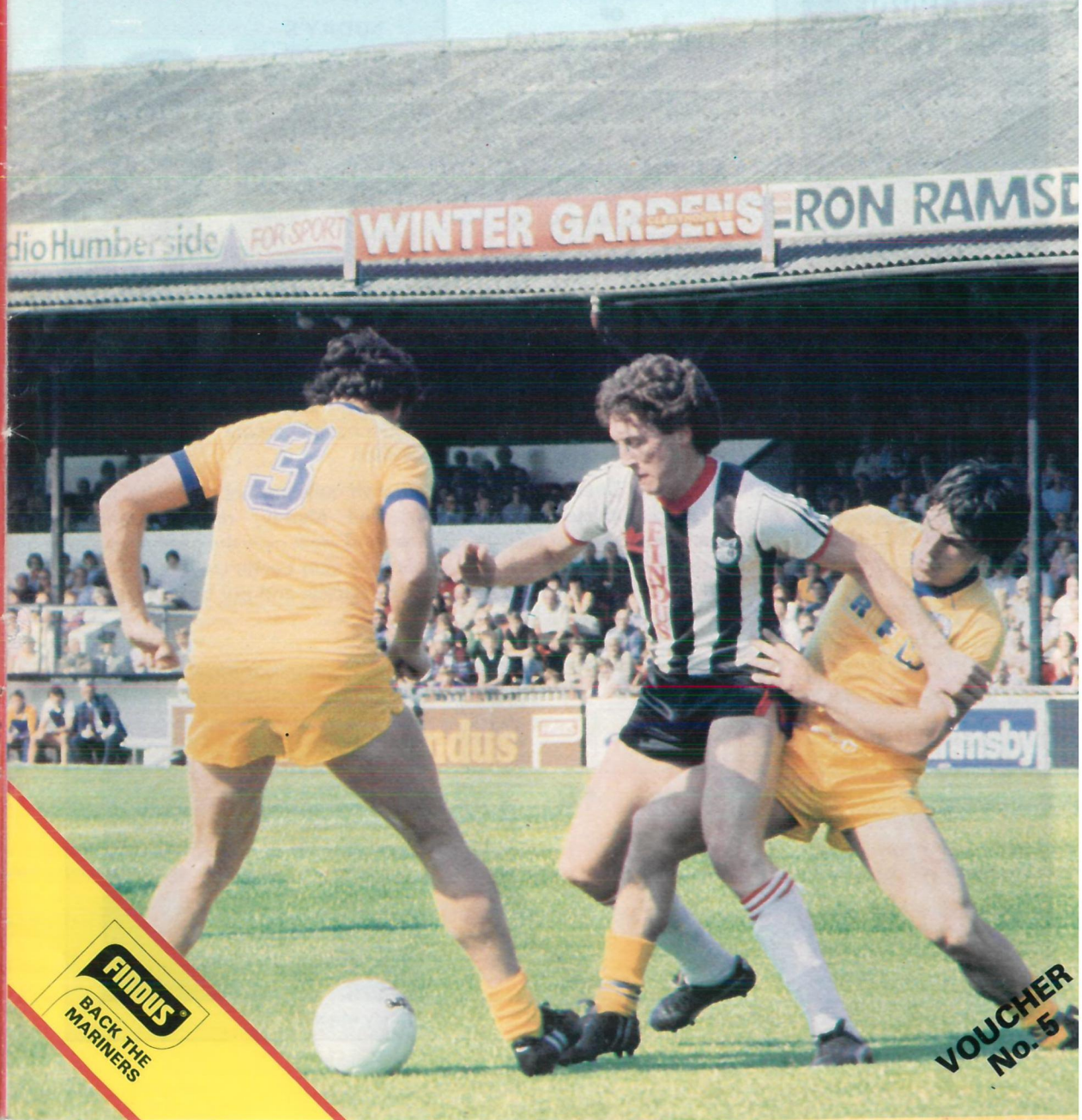
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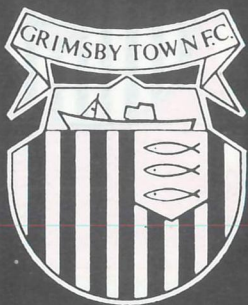
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 25TH

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TODAY AT THE PARK

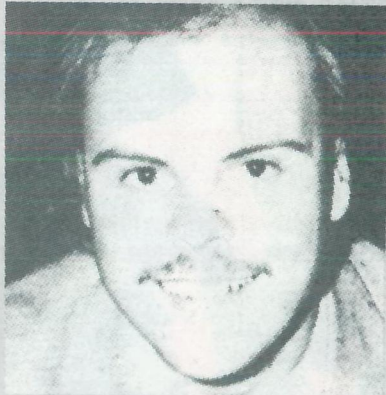
- 2.00 The boys and girls of the
GRANGE Middle School
Gymnastics Team
- 2.30 Record Requests
- 2.50 Martell Player of the Month
- 3.00 Kick Off
- 3.45 Half Time Scores

The Chairman, Directors, players and staff take this opportunity to thank David Dowse our secretary, and Mandy, our assistant commercial manager for their loyalty and hard work over the past years.

We wish David a happy future at his new club Leeds United.

Mandy is joining her husband Bobby at Carlisle and our best wishes are extended to them.

Good Luck and Thanks.



David Dowse



Mandy Mitchell

PEN PAL

I am 16 years old Finnish boy and I would like correspond with Grimsby Town supporters.

My address is:

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TODAY'S MASCOT PAUL WADE

of
CLEETHORPES

Paul is 7 years old and attends Signbeth Junior School. His interests are football, cricket and swimming.



Birthday Greetings to Tony Thorpe and Hellen Barbel. Happy 18th Birthday. "Good Luck in your chosen careers" from a well-wisher.

DAVE BOOTH

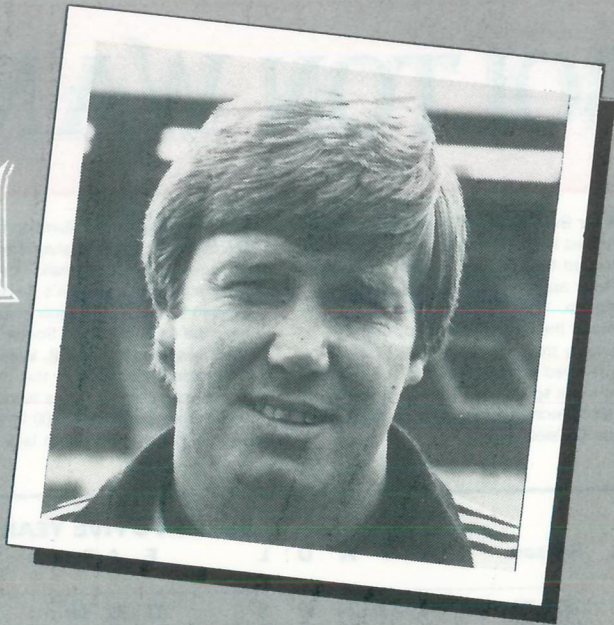
Needless to say I have to be reasonably pleased with the way things are going. As I said in the Blackburn programme a good start to the season was important so that no repetition of last year's home form was repeated.

Now it is vital we improve on the good results to maintain our present position. And that does mean improving. Some tough fixtures are in prospect during the coming month, and remember there are another 36 games after today's match. That means plenty more sweat and effort on the park, and on the training pitch if a respectable position is to be attained next April.

As with most things in life, consistency is the keynote. We have quality players here at Blundell Park, but the goods have to be delivered every game. The same skills need to be produced week in, week out, a high work rate maintained. We are all aware of the need to keep the commitment going.

If ever that point was proved, then Charlton provided the evidence last Saturday. We had played some good football without perhaps having the rub of the green, and the home side looked to be getting a point. But we kept going, pushing forward and our labours were rewarded six minutes from time. A game of soccer lasts 90 minutes. Had we sat on things and have been contented with a point, our league placing would now be fifth or sixth with several sides breathing down our neck. Things then would not have looked so rosy.

What pleases me most is that we are creating chances and equally importantly converting a goodly percentage. The two Kevs and Trevor are doing a splendid job up front, and getting a good supply of the ball, as we are now using an out and out winger. I trust the goals will keep flowing for everyone in midfield — Joe, Trevor, Phil and Mick are all capable of knocking in a dozen per season. Already we have experienced niggling injuries,



but the pattern of the side has not been disturbed. Everyone in the squad has to be on their toes and when John Stone is fully fit, there will be another £50,000 player available, a seasoned professional who can bring more experience. It is of course vital all the players maintain match fitness and I was therefore delighted with the second string's game at Frickley. Their hospitality was first class, right down to coping with Paul Wilkinson's broken nose! Hopefully more games against top class non league opposition will be arranged.

We face three tough away league games after today. It will provide a financial respite for you all. I fully realise the implications three home games in such a short space of time had, and was more than delighted with the level of support through the turnstiles. It is our job to maintain your interest and get the results in the next two weeks that will ensure your attendance at our next home fixture.

Finally I would like to extend my best wishes to both Dave Dowse and Mandy Mitchell who will be leaving the club in the next few weeks. Dave has been a tower of strength in my time as manager, and both he and Mandy, have worked tirelessly for Grimsby Town.



Scunthorpe United 0 v Town 0. Town go through to meet Sheffield United on October 5th.

Acknowledgement to Grimsby Evening Telegraph.

BOLTON WANDERERS

"Pele for Burnden Park" was the cry from Bolton last May. Chairman Terry Edge maintained the club was 'deadly serious' over their approach for Football's First Gentleman. "We intend to think big" continued the Bolton supremo, but predictably the former Brazilian World Cup star preferred a globetrotting V.I.P. lifestyle, to the more spartan, if homely existence of Greater Manchester, and the Football League Division Two.

Instead Wanderers plumped for John McGovern as player/manager to succeed the sacked George Mulhall. The former Forest schemer is Bolton's eleventh boss in fourteen years, and the job is as great a challenge as anything in Soccer. Relegated from Division One in 1979, Wanderers have just avoided relegation to the Third in the last two campaigns. Gates have dropped from almost 25,000 to 7,500 in the same period and the consequent lack of cash has

resulted in few forays in the transfer market.

Whether McGovern's unobtrusive style will work the oracle remains to be seen. His playing career was characterised by dependable commitment. Never a flashy performer, he always seemed to be in the right place at the right time. A disciple of Brian Clough, he played for him at Hartlepool, Derby, Leeds, and Forest collecting a wide range of domestic and European honours. Strangely, despite

BOLTON'S FIVE YEAR RECORD

Season	Div	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Pos	Top Scorer	Average Gate	Cup F.L. F.A.
1977-78	2	42	24	10	8	63	33	58	1	Whatmore 19	23,829	4 5
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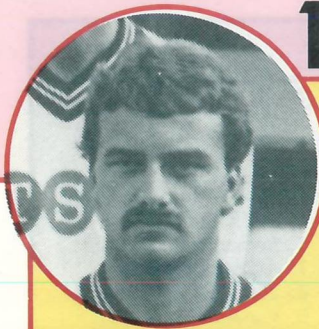
Front Row: Dave Hoggan, Wayne Foster, John McGovern (Player-Manager), Jeff Chandler, Peter Reid, Ray Deakin.
 Middle Row: Charlie Wright (Coach), Mick Bennett, Neil Berry, Chris Thompson, Mike Doyle, Vernon Allatt, Tony Henry, Walter Joyce (Coach).
 Back Row: Gerry McElhinney, Paul Jones, Jim McDonagh, Simon Farnworth, Ian Moores, Steve Whitworth.

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Tony Henry

DANGERMAN

Of the five League and Cup goals he has netted this season, none gave greater satisfaction than the brace he bagged against Newcastle. Born at Easington in the North East, his skills were overlooked by his local clubs and he had to pursue a career in the North West.

An apprentice with Manchester City, he signed pro for the Main Roaders on his 17th birthday and in all spent six years with the Citizens. Never able to fully establish himself in the first team, he nevertheless was sub for City in the 1981 Cup Final with Spurs.

A versatile player, quick thinking and aggressive in the tackle, Tony is equally at home in midfield or at full back. At Burnden Park he has been playing a forward role in the engine room and was top league scorer for Wanderers last season with 13 goals. One of those strikes came at Blundell Park in March.

George Mulhall signed Tony twelve months ago for £125,000 and new boss John McGovern will be looking to him for experience — and goals.

commendable consistency over 500 league games, his international appearances were limited to a couple of Under 23 caps for his native Scotland.

John's managerial career appeared to have started off on the right track. A hard earned point was wrested from Turf Moor on the opening day of the season, and then Wanderers burst the Tyneside/Keegan bubble with an impressive 3-1 home win. Carlisle were seen off 7-4 on aggregate in the Milk Cup, but three successive defeats have brought the team down from cloud nine. Sheffield Wednesday, perhaps not unexpectedly, won 3-1 at Hillsborough, but a few days later the Trotters crashed 0-4 at Fulham. Last Saturday they went down 0-1 at home to the rejuvenated Wolves, in a game that by all accounts was a big yawn from start to finish.

Wanderers therefore will be out to stop the slide with a squad that has a useful mixture of youth and experience. Some astute 'free transfers' by McGovern have also given the side substance, and ensure competition for places.

Bolton's future must lie with a possee of youngsters, all with international honours, and fighting hard for first team shirts.

Mike Bennett, was a member of the England Youth Squad which won the 1980 European Youth Championships in East Germany. Though now established as a central defender he has also played in midfield. Still not 20 he made 35 appearances last season. Another England Youth Cap is striker **Wayne Foster** born in the Rugby League town of Leigh but who has concentrated on the round ball. He made his mark last year as did **Chris Thompson** who netted twelve goals last term. He too, has represented England at Youth level, is a former apprentice and a speedy attacker.

Two Scottish youngsters are also making their presence felt. **Dave Hoggan**, Falkirk born, is in the Under 21 squad. He is a midfielder of immense maturity despite his tender years and has been a regular for two seasons. His fellow countryman **Neil Berry** made his debut last March at Cambridge, and is a quality defender with Youth honours to his name.

Though youth has been given its chance, the spine of the team is strong on

FACTFILE

Founded: 1874. **Ground:** Burnden Park.

Record Attendance: 69,912 v. Manchester City, F.A. Cup 5th Round, February 1933.

Current Ground Capacity: 43,000.

Honours: Division One, best season, 3rd, 1891-92, 1920-21, 1924-25. Division Two, Champions, 1908-09, 1977-78. Division Two, Runners-up, 1899-1900, 1904-05, 1910-11, 1934-35. Division Three,

Champions, 1972-73. F.A. Cup Winners, 1922-23, 1925-26, 1928-29, 1957-58. F.A. Cup, Runners-up, 1893-94, 1903-04, 1952-53. F.L. Cup, Semi Finalists, 1976-77.

Top League Scorer: Nat Lofthouse, 255, 1946-1961.

Most League Appearances: Eddie Hopkinson, 519, 1956-1970.

Record Transfer Fee Received: £250,000 from Everton for Jim McDonagh, June 1980.

Record Transfer Fee Paid: £350,000 to W.B.A. for Len Cantello, May 1979.

experience. Goalkeeper **Jim McDonagh** is in his second spell with Bolton. He rejoined Wanderers in June 1981 from Everton, after a season at Goodison Park. Formerly with Rotherham, he was a member of the Bolton team that won the Second Division Championship in 1977-78. Capped by England at Youth level, he is an Eire full international qualifying by virtue of his father. Indeed he was in the Republic's squad for the European Nations Cup qualifier with Holland.

Central defenders **Mike Doyle** and **Paul Jones** have between them figured in over 1,000 first team games. Doyle, a former England pivot made his name with Manchester City, winning League Cup, and European honours. He then went to Stoke, and helped the Potteries side to regain their First Division status. Signed by Bolton last March he was one of the main reasons Wanderers avoided the drop. Jones, a one club man completed his 400th game for Bolton last season. Ironically he was given a free transfer during the summer but was persuaded to re-sign within weeks. A quick tackling defender, he has been a member of English squads at Under 23 and full International level.

In addition to manager McGovern and Dangerman Henry, Wanderers also have the talented **Peter Reid** to call on in midfield. Serious injuries limited his appearances in recent years, as did his seeming determination to leave Burnden Park in a big money deal. Now fully reconciled the former

England Under 21 skipper could be a thorn in many defences during the months ahead.

After four seasons at Orient, **Ian Moores** was given a free transfer. The tall blond striker was immediately signed by McGovern, and has already found the net in the Milk Cup. Formerly with Stoke and Spurs, Ian is another to have played for England at Under 23 level. Providing crosses for Moores will be **Jeff Chandler**, a live-wire winger who cost Wanderers £40,000 when signed from Leeds in October 1981. Capped by Eire he began his career at Blackpool, moving to Elland Road in September 1979.

Experience is also in evidence in the two full back positions. **Gerry McElhinney** narrowly missed the place for Spain with Northern Ireland's World Cup squad, but the former Gaelic footballer from Londonderry is now in his third season with Wanderers, since being signed from Ulster part timers Distillery. **Steve Whitworth**, signed from Sunderland a year ago has represented England at all levels from Schools to Full. Just turned 30 Steve had eight years with Leicester before going to Roker and this year could be completing his 500th league appearance.

Completing the squad are **Vernon Allatt** a young striker from Halifax and **Ray Deakin**, a defender formerly of Port Vale.

In all Wanderers have 13 players with some sort of international recognition, surely an indication that better times are coming at Burnden Park.

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TODAY'S PREMATCH DISPLAY

GRANGE OLYMPIC GYMNASTIC CLUB

Grange Gymnastic Club was started in 1973 and is a school based gym club being part of Grange Middle School in Grimsby. Since 1973 over 250 gymnasts have been members of the club including those who are still competing.

All the gymnasts you will see today train between ten and fifteen hours per week their ages ranging from eight to eleven.

Each year the club enters the English Schools National Championships and has had varying degrees of success reaching the regional finals in 1980. We have also entered the Lilia White Championships and hope to add further competitions thus extending the competitive side of the club. Also included in our work is our own school championships and various displays particularly during the summer. If you wish us to give a display at your summer fete or fayre please contact me.

The Gymnastics you will see today includes.

1. Basic Training Routines
2. A group sequence performed to "Match Of The Day".
3. Further advanced tumbling routines.

Gymnasts performing today are:—

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| 1. Marie Setterfield
(School Champion) | 5. Katherine Harvey |
| 2. Sandra Cook
(Runner Up) | 6. Samantha Wright |
| 3. Melanie Brown | 7. Marie Newbegin |
| 4. Lisa Cordell | 8. Joanne Kinnaird |
| | 9. Vanessa Bampton |
| | 10. Sally Chester |

I very much hope you enjoy today's display.

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Dean Crombie	Cosalt	Cosalt	Cosalt	Cosalt	Cosalt
John Stone	Keith Lacy	Keith Lacy	Keith Lacy	Keith Lacy	Keith Lacy
Bob Cumming	David Willey	David Willey	David Willey	David Willey	David Willey
Nigel Batch	Smugglers Inn	Smugglers Inn	Smugglers Inn	Smugglers Inn	Smugglers Inn
John Steeples	The Mariners Lottery		The Mariners Lottery		
Tony Ford	Ludafors		Ludafors		
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Andy O'dell	Pestells Lighting		Pestells Lighting		
Trevor Whymark	Nick Mayne	Nick Mayne	Nick Mayne	Nick Mayne	Nick Mayne
Kevin Drinkell	M. Gait	Warwick Dampcourse –			
Kevin Moore	Handicapped Supporters Club				
David Moore	Pete & Pauline Gray		Pete & Pauline Gray		
Joe Waters	Dunlop	Dunlop		Dunlop	
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Gary Henshaw	G.T.F.C. Travelling Supporters				
Phil Bonnyman	Primo Windows		Primo Windows		
Mick Speight	Clouds	Clouds	Clouds	Clouds	Clouds

I was there. At Burnden Park Bolton when Town first competed in the Football League Cup. None of this sponsorship business back in 1960. It was Wednesday 26th October to be precise that Keith Jobling led Town out for the 7.30 kick off. Ron Rafferty scored twice but it was not enough, Wanderers had a certain centre forward named Nat Lofthouse who was largely instrumental in the homesters hitting six. Poor old Malcolm White in our goal was left stranded on more than one occasion. The gulf between Division One and Division Three, which we then were in was obvious for all to see.

To make matters worse the train connection at Manchester Piccadilly was late, and it was almost dawn before we made Grimsby Town.

Nuts to the new competition I thought. Man United and the others who shunned it had the right idea.

Five years later I was singing a different tune as the Mariners, still in Division Three marched on majestically to the Quarter Finals. On the way, they demoralised a Bolton side here at Blundell Park. It was the Second

ANCIENT MARINER



Round and just under 9,000 were in the ground.

Town's strike force at the time was Matt Tees and Rod Green. As dangerous a pair of sharpshooters as any in the Football League. They were the darlings of the Pontoon End, and as corners came across in those days big Harry and his mates would practically suck the ball in to the net. Harry was the official choirmaster. 'Give us a G' he would yell and the Pontoonites would respond.

That night he was in fine form as Town won 4-2 with two goals from Rod Green and one apiece from Ronnie Foster and Bobby Ross. But Harry was not happy. Matt Tees failed to find the net despite all the efforts of his Pontoon End friend in willing him to score. Doug Collins and Brian Hill

provided a stream of crosses, Matt's neck muscles worked overtime, but the ball would not go in.

Most people would have been satisfied with the 4-2 win but not Harry. Half of his favoured duo had scored but he felt he had failed personally in not creating the conditions to get Matt on the scoresheet.

Never mind Harry if you are with us this afternoon, suck one in for Kevin Drinkell.

LAST TIME

Town were badly in need of points when Wanderers visited last March. Only goal difference prevented us from being bottom, and eight successive home games had failed to bring a win. Indeed the Mariners last league win had been recorded — at Bolton a full five months before, Kevin Drinkell and Bob Mitchell giving the lads their last win bonus.

Bolton too, were badly in need of points and the tense atmosphere led to mistakes galore, little good football and over anxiety, particularly in front of goal. Three minutes before the interval Tony Henry gave the visitors the lead, and

though Joe Waters fought hard to rally his side, crucial points seemed to be drifting away as the Wanderers defence superbly marshalled by veterans Doyle and Jones held firm. Then with four minutes remaining — a penalty and to everyone's relief Joe coolly slotted the ball home.

A vital point was gained in the battle against relegation. Incidentally the match proved to be the last for Clive Wigginton in a Town shirt. He was the last survivor of the 1971-72 squad that won the Fourth Division Championship, and in two spells at Blundell Park played in 286+7 league games plus a further 50+1 in FA Cup, FL Cup,

Anglo Scottish Cup, and Group Cup matches.



Kevin Drinkell looks to lay the ball back to Joe Waters when Bolton last visited.

Tuesday, March 2nd 1982. Division Two. Attendance 6,525.

GRIMSBY: Batch, Moore D., Crombie, Waters, Wigginton, Moore K., Beacock, Ford, Drinkell, Mitchell, Broly. Sub. Steeples.

BOLTON: McDonagh, Whitworth, Nicholson, Henry, Jones, Doyle, Chandler, Foster, Gowling, Cantello, Thompson. Sub. Langley.

RESULT: Town 1 Bolton 1.

SCORERS: Henry 42, Waters 86 (pen.)

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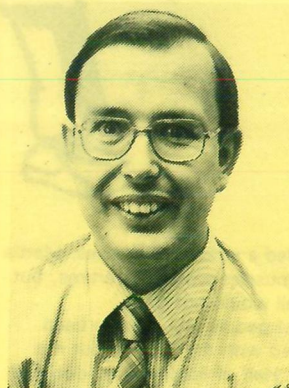
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IN MY OPINION...



**By John
Kirkby, Deputy
Sports Editor,
Grimsby
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Telegraph.**

were more forthcoming than so-called controversial issues on the field of play would no longer be so. There was one such incident at Brunton Park and Mr Richardson was quite happy to sort that one out afterwards.

Result? At least one reporter got his facts right when they were wrong in one national newspaper.

Refereeing of course is one topic where there is only black and white. Your opinion is invariably geared to how your team has fared in the match that official has just taken part in.

Generally you don't notice a referee unless he is involved in some major talking point such as a disputed goal. If he does have a good game he is rarely praised and of course the ref is the number one scapegoat for a team's bad performance.

I do feel however that referees are often their own worst enemies. One referee can send off a player while a similar incident in the next match warrants nothing more than a ticking off. Worse still, an incident in a match earns one player a booking while an opponent gets off scot free for a similar action.

There is nothing that frustrates players, spectators and your truly more than the above. Another pet hate — when a referee fails to book a player early on for a rank bad foul and the match develops into a bruising battle.

It's easy to be critical though. I had my first taste of refereeing last season and thoroughly enjoyed it. You have to be on your toes all the time and there is so much to concentrate on.

A final thought. In this country we tend to knock our referees but when you saw the poor standard in the World Cup it makes you realise how fortunate we are.

So just think about that the next time a referee disallows what looks a perfectly good goal for the Mariners. Refs are human after all, aren't they?

A funny thing happened while I waited in the car park before Town's recent game at Carlisle.

The only other car appeared empty until all of a sudden a figure pulled itself up in the driving seat, the vehicle turned round and I was face to face with a well-groomed man.

"You're not the referee, are you? I ventured, only half-jokingly.

"Yes, as a matter of fact I am," was the reply. And thus began my acquaintance with David Richardson of Great Harwood.

Belying the theory that referees are not human, Mr Richardson impressed with his view on football. He later showed he could ref a bit too.

He was greatly in favour of a five-minute period after a game when the referee would be available to clarify any contentious points with reporters.

It's long been a hobbyhorse of mine that if referees

MARINERS ON THE MOVE...

Tuesday next, the 28th September to Ayresome Park, Middlesbrough. Town visit Teeside for the first time since November 1966. Both clubs were then in Division Three, and the Mariners won 1-0 thanks to a Matt Tees goal. At the end of the year 'Boro gained promotion as runners up to QPR, but Town were one of only two sides to complete the double over them. Doug Collins and Gary Moore scored the all important goals at Blundell Park the following April.

Car travellers can take advantage of the Humber Bridge and then head for York by way of the A63 east to South Cave, then the A1034 to Market Weighton and the A1079 to York. Then follow the A19 by way of Lasingwold, Thirsk, to Teeside until the junction with the A1130. 1 mile on join the A66 and after a further mile take the fourth exit at roundabout into Heywood Street, at end turn left into Ayresome Street.

Street parking is fairly plentiful and the visitors' area is behind the Linthorpe Road goal in the East Stand.

'Crazy Horse'

Still pulls them in



When it comes to football, the swashbuckling Emlyn Hughes whose plundering exploits in the red shirt of Liverpool earned him the affectionate title "Crazy Horse," only knows one code . . . that of winning.

As a player of great distinction for England, Liverpool and Wolves, his attitude always remained the same, and now although he is saddled with the added responsibilities of management, he sees no reason to divert from his own positive doctrine.

Why should he! After just one full season as a player-manager with Rotherham United, the bright and breezy Hughes can claim more than just a modicum of success. The Merry Millers might have failed to gain promotion last season, but then who would have expected them to go up anyway when the season commenced?

Emlyn took charge of a Rotherham side newly promoted from the Third Division and while most Yorkshire fans would have settled for consolidation in the higher grade, he steered them to within four points of a place in soccer history in the First Division.

Thankfully Emlyn's approach to management has retained all the old enthusiasm and verve that made him such an exciting and effective player. There are no inhibitions or secret fears of failure, the former Liverpool captain simply oozes confidence and is tackling the Second Division challenge with the same refreshing positive approach that he used to overwhelm opponents with.

"There is no substitution for playing . . . none at all," admits the clean cut boy from Liverpool who can't resist pulling on his boots and getting a ball at his feet, "but when I do have to quit it won't affect my enthusiasm for the game," continues Hughes, "I love everything about football, particularly the management side which is total involvement."

Emlyn's bubbling enthusiasm is contagious and even the hard headed Yorkshire folk from this steel mill town are riding a wave of confident optimism that he will lead them to the promised land of the First Division.

In reality he admits that this scares him somewhat because success in football can never be guaranteed so what are his immediate plans?

The immediate response to that question is the famous smile which lights up his boyish features. With twinkling eyes he laughs; "My immediate ambitions are to have a good start to the season, a good middle and a fantastic end. . . . Seriously though my ambition really is for Rotherham United to play the kind of football that they produced last year and hopefully gain promotion. Because the type of football that we played was unmatched in the Second Division!

"We were entertaining, the fans loved it. The away crowds enjoyed our football when we visited them because we did not know how to go away and bottle up games, and that was refreshing in an era in which no score draws are common place.

"We were involved in only one 0-0 draw in 42 league matches last season and in that game, against Newcastle United, we missed a penalty in the last minute.

"Football is all about winning matches not about avoiding defeat. I tell my players to go out and enjoy their game and to try and win, that is all I can ask of them. I don't tell Tony Towner to go out and play right back. I don't tell Ronnie Moore to make sure the opposing centre-half does not get forward into our penalty area. Ronnie Moore is there to score goals for us and that is what he does tremendously well.

Tony Towner is there to create goals and that is what he does brilliantly. So what is the point in asking forward players to defend? They are a pain in the ass back in their own defence.

"But you travel around and you see different teams playing scared. You see centre-forwards tracking back to cover centre-halves who have moved up. Right wingers making sure that left backs do not go forward . . . it is killing the game.

"That's not for me or Rotherham. Our fans want to see us play open attractive football, go out there and have a go. I say to my players; 'If you are a right winger then play as a right winger and get forward down the line. If you're a centre-forward then get in their box and score goals'. That's all I want them to do.

"I want Ronnie Moore to be sharp and alive and alert in their box not ours. I don't even want him in our area, I want him to score goals."

If many more managers adopted this attitude then the magic would soon return to the game and fans driven away by sterile defensive blanket football, would return to thrill at the skills of attacking players.

And for those who persist on the cautious side there is a valuable lesson to be learned from Emlyn Hughes and his attractive team. Rotherham United's gates increased last season from an average 7,700 the year before to 10,100. That is nearly a 30% increase and as Emlyn says: "You tell me another side in the country that has done that!"

By Colin Benson



PAOLO ROSSI

Puts the boot on the other foot

As the 1982 World Cup Final between Italy and West Germany yawned into its 57th minute in the imposing Bernabeu Stadium in Madrid, a slimly built, pale faced young man, stooped to meet Cabrini's low cross and defiantly headed it past Schumacher into the German net from 10 yards.

Paolo Rossi, who only a few weeks prior had been pilloried by the Italian media, had brought the World Cup to life with the opening goal for Italy. It was his sixth goal in three consecutive matches, but this one was special . . . It was even enough to make Sandro Pertini — Italy's 85-year-old President, rise in the Royal Box to take a bow. Rossi the man branded as a cheat and suspended from football for two years had now played a major role in his country's political future, Rossi was no longer just a professional footballer but a national hero.

It is a remarkable story, the stuff of which schoolboy annuals once were made. Rossi, born in Prato, Tuscany, in September 1956, exploded onto the world stage in the 1978 World Cup Finals in Argentina. He returned a hero but within two years, the 'Bambino Del Oro' (Golden Boy) found himself the pawn in the sensational Totonero bribery scandal.

He was accused of fixing a game when he played for his first club, Perugia. The Italian courts cleared him, but the Italian FA were desperate to mend their tarnished image and they suspended their golden boy for two years.

His crime was not that he accepted money, but that he failed to inform the authorities that he had been approached, along with other members of his club, to fix results.

Although he always claimed his innocence, his career was in shreds. His club Vicenza, who had signed him for £3 million, decided to cut their losses and transferred Rossi to Juventus for £1.5 million but he could not make his debut for the Turin club until his suspension ended, just two weeks before the end of the last Italian League season. Although the exile had dulled his matchplay it had not killed his natural aptitude and Paolo, responded with two goals to help Juventus to their 20th national title.

It was heartening for national team manager Enzo Bearzot who gambled on Rossi solving his goalscoring problem. But against Poland, Peru and the Cameroon, Rossi remained but a shadow of his former self. The Italian press crucified him for his lacklustre performances and Bearzot was urged to send him home.

Then suddenly it all came back. Those immaculately timed runs, the devastatingly direct dribbling and the lethal finishing. Rossi hammered three goals into the Brazilian coffin. Almost single handed he had eliminated the firm favourites.

Two more goals in the semi-final against Poland emphasised that Rossi was back as king of the strikers. "Everyone expected miracles from me," he pleaded. "But what did they expect after I had been idle for two years? I was morally depressed and not fit, but in the end I surprised myself."

He also surprised a lot of other people as he finished the series with the 'Golden Boot' for scoring the most goals. One is only left to reflect just how good he would have been had he not been lost to the game for those vital two years, but Rossi himself is not bitter. He says: "I have thrown the ban out of my thoughts. You can hold a grudge for ever no matter what they have done to you. The only thing I want from the past is my old striking form."

Well Brazil, Poland and West Germany will all vouch that he has not lost the knack and the brilliant striker should be in even better form when Juventus open their European Cup campaign this autumn. Rossi's rise from the ashes in Spain was only the beginning. Now the 26-year-old Italian shooting star who underwent four cartilage operations before he was 20, wants to make up for all that time by winning a European Cup winners medal this season, and a European Championship winners medal with Italy in 1984.

But it is not only Rossi himself who benefited from his six goals in Spain. The Italian FA recognising that they would not have won the World Cup had they not reduced Rossi's sentence by a year in order to make him available for the World Cup Finals, have now decided to shorten the sentences imposed on 12 other players found guilty in the same "fixing" scandal of 1980.

No doubt the move towards clemency has been triggered by an enthusiastic desire to keep Italian football on top of the world, but it was obviously welcomed by national team boss Enzo Bearzot whose contract had been extended two years to take in the European Championship.

But not many players will measure up to the natural skills and application of Rossi, the 'Golden Boot' of world football, for he more than anyone paved the way for Italy's surprise triumph.

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FAMOUS CLUBS... NORWICH C

NORWICH CITY became national heroes in 1959 when they were just a boot lace away from a sensational Wembley Cup Final appearance. The cause of all the euphoria was the fact that the Canaries were still mere fledglings pottering around in the depths of the Third Division. Yet in the semi-final of the most famous of all cup competitions, they held First Division Luton Town at White Hart Lane.

Under the direction of the shrewd Archie Macaulay they came from behind to secure a creditable 1-1 scoreline when

Brennan pulled down McCrohan's cross and coolly slammed a right-foot drive past Baynham, in the 65th minute.

Norwich clearly had the ability to defeat the Hatters and become not only the first Third Division side to appear at Wembley but also the first Cup finalists from outside the top two divisions since Southampton — then in the Southern League — appeared in 1902.

Alas in the replay the ball did not run kindly for the Canaries and Luton edged it by a single goal, but the publicity and

reputation City had earned augured well for the future.

But this was not the first time the East Anglian side had created giant-killing acts in the FA Cup. As a Southern League club of only moderate standing, Norwich created a major surprise in 1909 when they defeated Reading at the third attempt and then travelled to Anfield to beat Liverpool 3-2, before losing at Bristol City.

The records show that Norwich City came into being in 1905, although it is known that there was a good class club in the city as long ago as 1880, but as to any connection between the two that is not certain.

The existing organisation commenced its football on the Newmarket Road, moving to "The Nest" in Rosary Road in 1909 but when the F.A. advised the club that the conditions did not meet their requirements a transfer to Carrow Road was completed in 1935. The year before 22,363 fans had swelled the ground to watch the game against Newport County.

It was a great landmark for the club which had entered senior football via the Southern League Division One in 1905. They competed in that competition until the season of 1919-20 — when they won the Norfolk Senior Cup — but when the Football League expanded, City became an original member of the Third Division.

For the first decade, Norwich languished in the bottom half of the Southern section and in 1931 was forced to seek re-election. After that things improved and City finished tenth then third before winning the Third Division (S) Championship in 1934 with 61 points, seven points clear of second placed Coventry City.

It was the club's first major success and its Second Division



Ross Jack led the goalscoring spree last season with 10 goals.

CITY



Ken Brown led the Canaries back to a top perch at the first attempt.

career opened on August 25th, 1934 with a 2-1 defeat at Brentford. Two days later the home fans celebrated the 4-1 defeat of Bury but City found it hard going and finished 14th. The following season brought improvement with a final position of 11th but in 1939 it was 21st and back in the Third Division.

The early fifties provided much excitement as Norwich City finished second, third and fourth in 1951, 1952 and 1953 but in 1957 the club once more had to go cap in hand seeking re-election. Two years later came that famous Cup semi-final joust with Luton Town.

And then in 1960 came the breakthrough as City finished second to Southampton and returned to the Second Division. It was the start of the clubs most glorious run. By the end of the 1961-62 season Norwich had won the Football League Cup, defeating Rochdale 4-0 over the two-leg final and in 1972 clinched its greatest prize to date, the Second Division Championship which brought First Division football to Carrow Road for the first time in the club's history.

That was a great season, even Dave Stringer scored five times and he remembers the fifth one very clearly, for it was at Watford in the final game of the season and it earned a 1-1 draw which clinched the title.

Ken Foggo had led the way with 13 goals, Peter Silvester 11 and Graham Paddon and David Cross had both scored eight each. Centre-half Duncan Forbes had also made his mark with the winners against Sheffield Wednesday and Swindon Town during the final run-in, and so Norwich on 57 points, beat Birmingham City by just a single point.

Everton provided the opposition for the Canaries baptism in the big time and 26,028 fans saw City take a first-half lead through Bone. The Merseysiders equalised however and the Canaries had to be content with the draw.

Although City finished only 20th, Ron Saunders' team had earned a reputation for their fitness and it was no surprise when they ended up at Wembley for the final of the Football League Cup. Leicester, Hull, Stockport, Arsenal and Chelsea had been beaten on route but in the Final Spurs maintained their record to finish as winners by 1-0.

Two years later and the Canary was chirping all the way to Wembley once again despite the disappointment of being relegated to the Second Division the spring before. Aston Villa provided the opposition this time after Bolton,

West Brom, Sheffield United, Ipswich and Manchester United had been seen off, and the Midlanders took the League Cup with yet another 1-0 victory.

In the Second Division, City also lost out to Villa who with Champions Manchester United were promoted, but although Norwich trailed some five points behind, third place was good enough to earn a ticket back to the First Division.

The season of 1975-76 was to prove the best ever in the club's history as far as results were concerned. They finished with final statistics of P42, W16, D10, L16, F58, A58, Pts 42 which left them in 10th place.

By 1979 Norwich had established itself under John Bond as a First Division side and massive development plans culminated in the opening of the one million pound Barclay Stand which brought Carrow Road into the top bracket. But during the season of 1980-81 Bond left for greener pastures at Manchester City and new boss Ken Brown was unable to halt the slide back to Division Two.

However Brown re-grouped his assets and hauled the Canaries back to the top at the first time of asking, finishing third behind Luton Town and Watford with one of the youngest teams in the Division.

Managers since the war: Cyril Spiers, Dugald Lockhead, Norman Low, Tom Parker, Archie Macauley, Willie Reid, George Swindin, Ron Ashman, Lol Morgan, Ron Saunders, John Bond, Ken Brown.

Year formed: 1905. **Turned Professional:** 1905. **Record attendance:** 43,984 v Leicester City, FA Cup 6th Round, 30-3-63.

CANARIES ROLE OF HONOUR

Division Two Champions	1971-72
Division Three (South) Champions	1933-34
Division Three Runners-up	1959-60
Football League Cup Winners	1962
Football League Cup Runners-up	1973, 1975

TOP LEAGUE SCORERS

1977-78	John Ryan	15
1978-79	Martin Peters	10
1979-80	Justin Fashanu	11
1980-82	Justin Fashanu	19
1981-82	Ross Jack	10

THE EUROPEAN FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP 1982-84

Now that the World Cup is dead and buried, the cream of Europe settle down this month to start the long road to the Finals of the European Championship which will culminate in France in the summer of 1984.

Already there have been some surprises, with Iceland holding Holland to a 1-1 draw in Group 7. England, under new boss Bobby Robson open in Denmark, Scotland play East Germany, Northern Ireland in Austria — Tommy Docherty and all — and the Republic of Ireland in Holland.

We will be looking at the teams the home countries have to beat through these columns during the season.

The full draw and fixture list is as follows:

Group 1

(Belgium, German Democratic Republic, Scotland, Switzerland)

6.10.82	Belgium — Switzerland
13.10.82	Scotland — German Democratic Republic
17.11.82	Switzerland — Scotland
15.12.82	Belgium — Scotland
30. 3.83	Scotland — Switzerland
30. 3.83	German Democratic Republic — Belgium
27. 4.83	Belgium — German Democratic Republic
14. 5.83	Switzerland — German Democratic Republic
12.10.83	Scotland — Belgium
12.10.83	German Democratic Republic — Switzerland
9.11.83	Switzerland — Belgium
16.11.83	German Democratic Republic — Scotland

Group 2

(Poland, USSR, Portugal, Finland)

8. 9.82	Finland — Poland
22. 9.82	Finland — Portugal
10.10.82	Portugal — Poland
13.10.82	USSR — Finland
17. 4.83	Poland — Finland
27. 4.83	USSR — Portugal
22. 5.83	Poland — USSR
1. 6.83	Finland — USSR
21. 9.83	Portugal — Finland
9.10.83	USSR — Poland
28.10.83	Poland — Portugal
13.11.83	Portugal — USSR

Group 3

(England, Hungary, Greece, Denmark, Luxembourg)

22. 9.82	Denmark — England
9.10.82	Luxembourg — Greece
10.11.82	Luxembourg — Denmark
17.11.82	Greece — England
15.12.82	England — Luxembourg
27. 3.83	Luxembourg — Hungary
30. 3.83	England — Greece
16. 4.83	Hungary — Luxembourg
27. 4.83	England — Hungary
27. 4.83	Denmark — Greece
15. 5.83	Hungary — Greece
1. 6.83	Denmark — Hungary
21. 9.83	England — Denmark
12.10.83	Hungary — England
12.10.83	Denmark — Luxembourg
26.10.83	Hungary — Denmark
16.11.83	Greece — Luxembourg
16.11.83	Luxembourg — Denmark
3.12.83	Greece — Hungary
14.12.83	Greece — Luxembourg

Group 4

(Yugoslavia, Wales, Bulgaria, Norway)

22. 9.82	Wales — Norway
13.10.82	Norway — Yugoslavia
27.10.82	Bulgaria — Norway
17.11.82	Bulgaria — Yugoslavia
15.12.82	Yugoslavia — Wales
27. 4.83	Wales — Bulgaria
7. 9.83	Norway — Bulgaria
21. 9.83	Norway — Wales
12.10.83	Yugoslavia — Norway
16.11.83	Bulgaria — Wales
14.12.83	Wales — Yugoslavia
21.12.83	Yugoslavia — Bulgaria

Group 5

(Italy, Czechoslovakia, Rumania, Sweden, Cyprus)

1. 5.82	Rumania — Cyprus
8. 9.82	Rumania — Sweden
6.10.82	Czechoslovakia — Sweden
13.11.82	Italy — Czechoslovakia
13.11.82	Cyprus — Sweden
4.12.82	Italy — Rumania
12. 2.83	Cyprus — Italy
27. 3.83	Cyprus — Czechoslovakia
16. 4.83	Rumania — Italy
16. 4.83	Czechoslovakia — Cyprus
15. 5.83	Sweden — Cyprus
15. 5.83	Rumania — Czechoslovakia
26. 5.83	Sweden — Italy
9. 6.83	Sweden — Rumania
21. 9.83	Sweden — Czechoslovakia
15.10.83	Italy — Sweden
12.11.83	Cyprus — Rumania
16.11.83	Czechoslovakia — Italy
30.11.83	Czechoslovakia — Rumania
22.12.83	Italy — Cyprus

Group 6

(FRG, Austria, Northern Ireland, Turkey, Albania)

22. 9.82	Austria — Albania
13.10.82	Austria — Northern Ireland
27.10.82	Turkey — Albania
17.11.82	Northern Ireland — FRG
17.11.82	Austria — Turkey
15.12.82	Albania — Northern Ireland
30. 3.83	Northern Ireland — Turkey
30. 3.83	Albania — FRG
23. 4.83	Turkey — FRG
27. 4.83	Austria — FRG
27. 4.83	Northern Ireland — Albania
12. 5.83	Albania — Turkey
8. 6.83	Albania — Austria
21. 9.83	Northern Ireland — Austria
5.10.83	FRG — Austria
12.10.83	Turkey — Northern Ireland
26.10.83	FRG — Turkey
16.11.83	FRG — Northern Ireland
16.11.83	Turkey — Austria
20.11.83	FRG — Albania

Group 7

(Spain, Netherlands, Republic of Ireland, Iceland, Malta)

5. 6.82	Malta — Iceland
1. 9.82	Iceland — Netherlands
22. 9.82	Netherlands — Republic of Ireland
13.10.82	Republic of Ireland — Iceland
27.10.82	Spain — Iceland
17.11.82	Republic of Ireland — Spain
18.12.82	Malta — Netherlands
16. 2.83	Spain — Netherlands
30. 3.83	Malta — Republic of Ireland
27. 4.83	Spain — Republic of Ireland
15. 5.83	Malta — Spain
29. 5.83	Iceland — Spain
5. 6.83	Iceland — Malta
7. 9.83	Netherlands — Iceland
21. 9.83	Iceland — Republic of Ireland
12.10.83	Republic of Ireland — Netherlands
16.11.83	Netherlands — Spain
16.11.83	Republic of Ireland — Malta
17.12.83	Netherlands — Malta
21.12.83	Spain — Malta

It's time to blow the whistle on the ROOKIES

says Colin Benson



When Joao Havelange, the stone faced President of FIFA, had the affront to acclaim the standard of refereeing in the 1982 World Cup Final series in Spain, had been very good, one was tempted to believe that even his granite features would crack open with laughter. But when he then expanded his thoughts to say that; "no single refereeing decision affected the result of any game," one could only at best put it down to paralogism and at worst to downright pig headed ignorance.

Indeed in the first series of matches the standard of officiating was so bad that it became the outstanding feature of the opening weeks. And because of the gravity of many crucial decisions, which influenced the eventual outcome of the games they were taken in, it would not be melodramatic to suggest that many referees were incompetent to the extent of bringing the game into disrepute.

It was entirely due to a complete lack of authority and the inability to administer the laws of the game correctly, that led to the first major incident of the series . . . It happened in Valladolid during a Group 4 match between France and Kuwait. The man in charge was a Russian, Miroslav Stupar, whose whole world collapsed before him when he disallowed a French goal after protests from the Kuwaitis who had responded to a whistle in the crowd.

As France attacked a shrill whistle pierced the air. The Arabs stopped, obviously believing that offside had been given, but France continued to walk through and score the easiest of goals through Giresse.

When Stupar signalled the goal, the World Cup exploded into violence as he was surrounded by incensed Arab players. The referee insisted that play continue and the Kuwaitis made to leave the field. Their FA President advised them to continue and at last the referee was persuaded to consult a linesman. This he did and then incredibly cancelled out the goal, indicating that the match would restart with a bounce ball.

At this juncture the French reacted viciously, players pushed and struck each other and the game was only restarted after a five minute delay. Stupar was suspended by a FIFA disciplinary committee, no doubt influenced by the drama of the human theatre that had ensued, for disallowing a perfectly good goal. The French were 3-1 up at the time, with 11 minutes to play, so it hardly influenced the result. It had been Stupar's action in the 30th minute of what was then a very innocuous game, which had a profound effect on the eventual outcome.

That was when Mohamad Karam had made a perfectly good tackle on Platini just outside the Kuwait penalty area. And yet although there was not even a hint of histrionics from the French captain, the referee awarded a direct free kick from which Bernard Genghini scored. . . That goal gave the dispirited French confidence and they went on to win well.

But the Kuwaitis could think themselves unlucky. For in their opening game against Czechoslovakia, they once more found themselves the victims of disgraceful refereeing.

This time Kwabena Dwomoh from Ghana was the culprit. A referee clearly out of his depth, he did not even look the part and strutted about like an indignant ostrich. His head was surely in the sand when in the 20th minute he awarded Czechoslovakia a penalty after Ma'Yooof and Vizek got in a tangle as the ball ran harmlessly out of play.

Had it not been for the sporting attitude of both teams he would have surely found himself in trouble. Unable to keep up with play, one incident in particular illustrates his inexperience. It happened in the second half when Czechoslovakia broke clear on the left. The linesman who was right in line with play kept his flag firmly by his side as a Czech forward broke with the ball. Incredibly Dwomoh, some 20 yards back, whistled for offside.

These are only isolated incidents from a tournament saturated with incompetence. Officials from Algeria, Australia, Bahrain, Costa Rica, Ghana, Guatemala, Hong Kong, Libya and the USA, just aren't up to the required standard.

Neither were some of the referees from Europe. Too many bad decisions decided games. Such as the penalty for Spain against Cameroon and the one they were awarded when trailing 0-1 to Yugoslavia for a foul committed at least two yards outside the area. Then there was Russia, denied an obvious penalty against Brazil when they were leading 1-0. Who knows what the outcome might have



Kevin Keegan, here seen in action against Belgium, has learned to live with the inconsistencies of international officials.

been had the Russians gone two ahead.

And in that enthralling semi-final epic between France and West Germany, why did Dutch referee Charles Corver turn a blind eye to the most horrific foul of the whole tournament, when German 'keeper Schumacher broke a bone in Battiston's neck with a vicious and avoidable challenge. It was a deliberate foul of horrific magnitude and there should have been no doubt Schumacher should have received his marching orders and France been awarded a penalty.

I asked Havelange to cast aside his official tone and give his honest personal opinion of the refereeing standards. His reply was frighteningly predictable: "In my personal opinion the refereeing has been good," he said. "But it was the same in Argentina. There were complaints there that referees favoured the home team. There are always rumours, but they are unfounded."

Then the FIFA boss made a quite remarkable observation. He said: "FIFA have a commission with members from all continents represented and they choose the referees to officiate in the finals. There was no complaints before the tournament started, so why complain now."

Such logic does not bare thinking about. But the fact that FIFA would seem to prefer to ignore the realities of the situation rather than tackle them, is perhaps even more distressing than some of the outrageous decisions made by the men in black last summer.

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While football clubs struggle to survive the football pools continue to thrive and Littlewoods say that they are hoping for their first £2 million pay out this season.

It is a staggering thought and one which renews the old adage that there should be a tax placed on winnings, that could be ploughed back into the game which is the source of such wealth. That does not seem an unreasonable suggestion.

Through the auspices of the football pools many millions of punters who have no interest at all in football, apart from the tantalising prospect of winning a vast fortune, get countless hours of enjoyment and thrills checking off the results every Saturday evening. It does not seem unreasonable to ask them to pay a small percentage as a levy. The game badly needs the money if it is to continue producing at the same high standard.

At the moment such suggestions only fall on stony ground and the pools promoters continue on their profit making way this season with only one significant change in the Treble Chance rules. From the first Saturday in November to the last Saturday in April — the period in which they anticipate the worst of the winter weather — the number of matches needed to be called off to bring the Pools Panel into operation has been cut from 18 to 10.

That will certainly improve things from the punters point of view as will the clarification of the rules concerning cup-ties on coupons which have been printed before the previous round has been resolved. Now only ties involving two sides will be accepted.

ALL WASHED UP

When it comes to making a bob or two Stoke City Commercial Manager, Dudley Arliss is as shrewd as they come. In fact he knows a square deal when he sees one and so when Dudley says he is very excited about a project, you can bet it is worth keeping an eye on.

What had him bubbling so ecstatically this summer was a proposed promotion between the Football League and Lever Brothers, the giant soap and detergent conglomerate.

The company intended launching a massive sales promotion campaign which would tempt its customers with offers of cut-price and even free League soccer viewing on the production of so many vouchers.

The offer was to appear on each of their 13 brand name products which include, Persil, Surf, Handy Andy, Vim, Domestos and Brillo and would entitle children to free admission and adults to £2 off the seat price or free admission to the terraces.

The clubs maintained the option of which matches to issue tickets for, so naturally would not be required to release them for the sell-out games — should they have any.

The idea was presented to the League Club chairmen last March and to the Commercial Managers in May: "Everybody agreed it was fantastic," says Dudley and yet it did not get off the ground.

Lever Brothers needed confirmation by May 24th and the co-operation of all 92 League Clubs. Alas 57 clubs did not even bother to

reply, they were too short sighted to see the advantage they would get from advertising that goes into 41 million homes weekly. Or the spin-offs from encouraging families to come to the game.

When Lever Brothers operated a similar offer with British Rail a few years ago five million extra passengers travelled the railroad as a result. If the response was only a quarter of that football would be laughing!

"The big glamour clubs kill everything," says Kernick. "They think they can go it alone, but times are changing. Liverpool won the Championship and the League Cup last season but lost 51,000 fans. Arsenal qualified for Europe but lost 105,000 spectators. We have got to investigate every avenue to try and bring back the fans."

It certainly seems strange that at a time when the League itself was hoping to invest a million pounds in television advertising to promote the game, the chance to swamp 41 million households at only a fraction of that cost should be let down the sink.

Such insularity does not do the Football League's image as an advertising media much good. The game is crying out for major sponsors but it must show much more willingness to co-operate as a corporate body if the riches are to be plucked. Run a good campaign with a national body then the next step will be with a multi-national company then international, that's how it works.

I agree with Dudley it is a shame that this promotion is all washed up, but it is football that has been taken to the cleaners.

INSTANT JUSTICE

Players who get on the wrong side of referees too often this season will instantly know their fate under the new F.A., disciplinary procedure.

The Football Association have introduced a set sliding scale of automatic punishments to replace the previous cumbersome system which involved players appearing before disciplinary tribunals upon amassing 20 points or more.

It means of course that players can no longer plead for clemency in attempts to get lighter suspensions but it also means that there will be an end to the inconsistencies that have caused so much controversy in the past.

There have been many instances of injustices with players leaving the same disciplinary commissions having been meted with varying punishments and this has given solid foundation to the theory that there was one code for top class players and another for the rest. Now there can be no argument the penalties are fixed.

Another major factor is the incorporation of a time scale which accounts for the period over which the cautions have been issued, so that players totting up 21 disciplinary points over a whole season will not be as harshly dealt with as someone reaching that figure in the first three months.

The FA have also decided that players must receive at least six cautions instead of five before they are banned.

The new scale of fixed suspensions is as follows:

- * A player collecting 21 points between the start of the season and the last Saturday in November will incur a Three-match ban.
- * For 21 points amassed before the last Saturday in February there is a Two-match suspension.
- * A player conceding 21 points before the last Saturday in April will miss One match.
- * For those players totalling 21 points over the whole season there will be a warning.
- * There will be an extra two-match suspension for reaching 31 points at any stage of the season and the disciplinary commission will still sit to judge players who reach 41 points and to deal with players facing charges of bringing the game into disrepute.

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SECOND OPINION

Mike Brolly opened his goal scoring account for Derby last Saturday. His first half goal levelled matters for the Rams at Elland Road after Frankie Gray had scored for Leeds. Unfortunately for Mike, big Frank Worthington scored the winner 11 minutes from time.

Terry Donovan looks set to join Barnsley. Tykes boss Norman Hunter has agreed a fee of £90,000 with Aston Villa, and the ex Matthew Humberston, Scribes, and Grimsby Town striker could now be at Oakwell. Incidentally Terry spent the summer in the North American Soccer League playing for Portland Timbers.

However nothing is ever certain in football and Barnsley were reported to be checking on Cambridge United's forwards Joe Mayo and George Reilly.

Glen Keeley could well be back at Blackburn this week. The former Ipswich and Newcastle pivot is ready to sign a contract on a monthly basis with Rovers, thus ending a period of dispute.

Gordon Davies, the Fulham striker who hit two goals at Middlesbrough last Saturday, wants to be playing First Division football next season. On the verge of the Welsh national side he has a year of his contract to run at Craven Cottage. Should Fulham not gain promotion he is no doubt hoping his sharp shooting will attract the big clubs.

Fulham's stand in keeper Kevin Lock wanted the Cottagers boss Malcolm MacDonald to check with Bobby Robson regarding the fitness of Peter Shilton and Ray Clemence. The full back fancied his chances in goal against the Danes! And understandably. For 88 minutes he kept the Boro' forwards at bay after goalkeeper Peyton was led from the field with a cut head.

'Boro are certainly finding life tough in Division Two. Both their home games have resulted in 1-4 reversals. Bobby Murdoch hopes to have Ray Hankin, once of Burnley and Leeds, currently with Vancouver in the side for this afternoon's game at Crystal Palace.

Worried about the lack of service to Kevin Keegan and Mick Channon, Newcastle supremo Arthur Cox is still looking for midfielders. Little luck went his way as regards Terry McDermott, but he is still ambitious and has inquired about Remi Moses of Manchester United. But at £400,000 the former WBA player seems beyond the Magpies pocket.

Sheffield Wednesday became the first side to win on QPR's artificial turf for almost a year. A goal in each half from McCulloch and Bannister did the trick.

Malcolm Poskett hit all four Castle goals as the Cumbrians thrashed Crystal Palace at Brunton Park. Asked by a Radio Two broadcaster as to the reason for his success, the likeable Poskett replied "I can see me Mam more often, now I'm back up North".

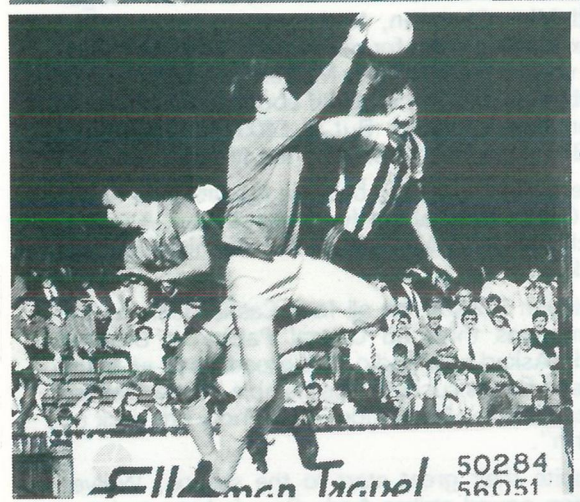
Despite their great start to the season, Wolves million pound striker Andy Gray is keen to leave Molineux. The Scot wants to resurrect his international career and feels he needs to be in the top flight to do that.

FOOTBALL LEAGUE DIVISION TWO 1982-83

(Up to and including Saturday 18th September 1982)

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	Pts	Leading Scorers — League, MC	Gates	
														Best	Average
Wolves	6	3	0	0	9	1	1	2	0	1	0	14	Eves 4	15,605	14,578
Grimsby T.	5	2	1	0	8	1	2	0	0	4	2	13	Drinkell 6, Kilmore 4, Waters 3	16,137	10,428
Sheff. Wed.	5	2	0	1	8	5	2	0	0	5	0	12	Pearson 5, Bannister 4	29,050	21,656
Fulham	5	1	2	0	6	2	2	0	0	5	1	11	Davies 4, Lewington, Coney, Houghton 3	15,004	9,238
Leeds Utd.	5	1	1	0	2	1	2	1	0	5	3	11	Worthington 3, Butterworth 2	16,889	16,671
Q.P.R.	6	2	0	1	6	4	1	1	1	2	2	10	Stainrod 3, Sealey, Gregory 2	13,733	11,212
Chelsea	6	1	2	0	3	1	1	1	1	2	2	9	Speedie 2	14,192	12,861
Rotherham U.	6	1	1	1	5	5	1	2	0	4	3	9	Fern 4, Hughes 2	9,254	7,632
Crystal P.	5	2	1	0	5	2	0	1	1	3	6	8	Hinshelwood 4, Hilaire, Mabbutt 3	7,549	7,219
Newcastle U.	6	1	2	0	3	2	1	0	2	4	6	8	Keegan 3	36,185	31,069
Leicester C.	6	1	0	2	7	3	1	1	1	5	5	7	Lineker 5, Lynex 3, A. Smith 2	12,963	10,814
Burnley	5	1	1	1	5	3	1	0	1	4	4	7	Hamilton 5, Laws, Steven, McGree 2	10,527	9,090
Barnsley	5	1	1	0	4	1	0	2	1	2	4	6	Parker, Glavin 2	11,938	11,924
Carlisle Utd.	5	1	0	1	6	4	1	0	2	4	10	6	Poskett 5, Shoulder 3, Staniforth 2	4,683	4,537
Blackburn R.	6	2	0	1	7	4	0	0	3	1	9	6	Garner 4, Bell 3	14,421	7,982
Oldham Ath.	5	1	1	1	2	2	0	1	1	1	3	5	Bowden, Palmer 1	4,266	4,086
Cambridge U.	6	1	1	1	4	4	0	0	3	2	7	4	Reilly 3	8,124	4,867
Bolton W.	5	1	0	1	3	2	0	1	2	1	7	4	Henry 5, Doyle, Moores 2	17,707	13,486
Derby C.	5	1	1	1	2	4	0	0	2	2	6	4	Buckley 3	11,206	9,444
Shrewsbury T.	5	1	0	1	2	2	0	0	3	1	5	3	Brown 2	7,907	5,716
Charlton A.	5	0	0	2	0	4	1	0	2	4	9	3	Walker 2	8,327	6,344
Middlesbrough	5	0	0	2	2	8	0	2	1	3	5	2	Sheaner 3	8,074	7,260

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The Club Commercial Department was launched five years ago and the first member of staff to be employed by Alex King was Mandy Mitchell. Mandy has been a credit to herself and to the Club. We will miss her. Everyone at Blundell Park wishes Mandy a very happy future.

Assistant Commercial Manager

We welcome John Waite to the Staff of the Commercial Department. John will be remembered by supporters who followed the club in the sixties. John played for Grimsby Boys Youth Reserves and First Team Squad representing England Youth on six occasions. Martin Peters and Terry Venables were two of John's team mates during his period with England Youth, two men who made it to the top in their profession. John now lives with his family in Keelby. We are delighted to have him at the Park.

David Bunn: has been appointed Cashier and Box Office Manager. David's appointment has been awarded after him gaining valuable experience as Assistant to the Club's Secretary. The post is created to allow David the opportunity to concentrate on this vital part of the Club's activities.

David Dowse: Our Secretary for the past six years is moving on to fresh pastures and David will be replaced by an Office Manager.

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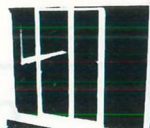
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PROFILE

KEVIN DRINKELL

Ten goals in League and Cup, a total that already equals his final tally for last season confirms that Kev is back to his best. After two campaigns in which he managed just thirteen goals overall, Mariners fans are just as pleased the goal scoring touch has returned.

And yet Kev, should fate have decided otherwise, be now turning out for say, Middlesbrough or Barnsley. Both clubs were reputed to be in the hunt for his signature, and at one stage his departure from Blundell Park seemed a formality.

Happily for all concerned, player, manager, and Board got together, and ironed out what problems there were. A new contract was signed, and a happy contented striker, is hitting the net with the regularity we know he is capable of.

Those two matchwinners at Carlisle summed it all up. Kev had not enjoyed the best of luck at Swinburne in the United goal denied him on several occasions. Then he hit a vicious swerving volley in to the top corner that had us all recalling a similar spectacular strike against Millwall three years ago. Fearless in the air he rose to nod home Kevin Kilmore's inch perfect cross, suffering a misplaced defenders elbow in the face.

Still barely 22 Kev has now scored 60 first team goals in League and Cups. All told, including substitute appearances, last weeks game at Charlton was his 166th league outing for Town. Given a modicum of luck, several records for strikers should go at Blundell Park in the seasons ahead.

Kevin has been part of the Blundell Park scene since leaving Whitgift School. As a schoolboy he represented the town at Under 12, Under 15, and Under 19 levels, as well as turning out for both Lincolnshire and Humberside youth teams.

His early progress was noted by Tom Casey, who brought him to Blundell Park, and while still a 16 year old he made his first team debut away to Gillingham in April 1977. In his second game at high riding Wrexham, who were destined to take the Third Division title, he scored his first goals — two of the best,



and everyone realised a glittering career had started.

Town were relegated to Division Four but a struggling side did not hamper his progress. Rather with things at sixes and sevens, opportunities were there to be grabbed. Kev and Terry Donovan competed for the No 9 shirt but by 1978-79 the ex Whitgift schoolboy was beginning to make the position his own. Terry's departure for Villa and injury problems experienced by Gary Liddel caused the goalscoring mantle to be handed to Kev.

1979-80 was a dream season. As Town took the Third Division Championship. Kevin led the line with dash and style. In 31 + 3 appearances, he knocked in 16 goals to finish top scorer. The icing on the cake was the hat trick in the final game against Sheffield United.

Kev, in the last two seasons has found Second Division defences a different proposition. More accomplished players with increased positional awareness means chances are that more difficult. Though he may not have been scoring the goals, his overall contribution to the side — passing, covering, and acting as target man developed. Now happily he is back in scoring vein.

A Grimsby lad through and through, with a family that eat, drink, and sleep football, it would have been a tragedy had Kev left the club. Hopefully everyone will now reap the benefit.

Career Record

Season	League		Cups	
	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
1976-77	3+1	2	—	—
1977-78	20+6	5	4+1	1
1978-79	20+8	7	1	—
1979-80	31+2	16	8+3	1
1980-81	41	7	6	1
1981-82	23+5	6	8+1	4



MATCH SPONSORS	Date	Opponents	Att.	Res.	Pts.	Pos.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Bunny and Cliff Newton	Aug. 28 Sept. 4	Leeds United Carlisle United	16,137 4,683	1-1 3-2	1 4	-	Batch	Moore D.	Crombie	Waters	Cooper	Moore K.	Ford	Kilmore ¹	Drinkell	Bonnymman	Whymark	Beacock
		Blackburn Rovers	7,567	5-0	9	3	Batch	Speight	Crombie	Waters	Cooper	Moore K.	Ford	Kilmore ²	Drinkell	Bonnymman	Whymark	Speight
		Shrewsbury Town	7,589	2-0	10	2	Batch	Batch	Crosby	Waters	Cooper	Moore K.	Ford	Kilmore	Drinkell	Bonnymman	Whymark	Crosby
		Bolton Wanderers	4,361	1-0	13	2	Batch	Moore D.	Crombie	Waters	Cooper	Moore K.	Cumming	Whymark	Drinkell	Bonnymman	Speight	Kilmore ¹
Findus	Oct. 2	Middlesbrough																
		Chelsea																
		Leicester City																
		Derby County																
		Sheffield Wednesday																
Needhams Meats	Nov. 30	Cambridge United																
		Wolverhampton W.																
		Fulham																
		Barnsley (FA 1)																
Findus	Dec. 20	Oldham Athletic																
		Crystal Palace																
		Queens Park R. (FA 2)																
		Burnley																
Cosalt	Jan. 18	Rotherham United																
		Newcastle United																
		Barnsley																
		Carlisle United																
		FA Cup 3																
		Leeds United																
Findus	Feb. 15	Charlton Athletic																
		FA Cup 4																
		Blackburn Rovers																
		Chelsea																
		Leicester City (FA 5)																
The Smugglers Arms	Mar. 19	Derby County																
		Sheffield Wednesday																
		Cambridge Utd. (FA 6)																
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		Oldham Athletic																
		Bolton Wanderers																
		Burnley																
		Queens Park R.																
		FA Cup Final																

CUP FIXTURES AND RESULTS	Date	Opponents	Att.	Res.	Pts.	Pos.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	Aug. 7	Scunthorpe U. (Lincs Cup)	1,245	1-1	-	-	Grotter	Moore D.	Crombie	Henshaw	Cooper	Moore K.	Ford	Kilmore ¹	Drinkell	Whymark	O'Dell	Speight
	Aug. 9	Lincoln City (Lincs Cup)	1,161	0-4	-	-	Grotter	Moore D.	Crombie	Henshaw	Cooper	Moore K.	Ford	Kilmore	Drinkell	Beacock	Steeples	Cumming
	Aug. 14	Sheffield U. (F.L. Trophy)	5,381	3-1	-	-	Batch	Moore D.	Crombie	Waters	Cooper	Moore K.	Ford	Whymark	Drinkell	Bonnymman	Speight	Steeples
	Aug. 18	Lincoln City (F.L. Trophy)	1,384	3-2	-	-	Batch	Moore D.	Crombie	Waters	Cooper	Moore K.	Ford	Whymark	Drinkell	Bonnymman	Crombie	Ford
	Aug. 21	Scunthorpe (F.L. Trophy)	2,334	2-0	-	-	Batch	Moore D.	Crombie	Waters	Cooper	Moore K.	Ford	Whymark	Drinkell	Bonnymman	Speight	Cumming
	Aug. 31	Scunthorpe M.C. (1st Leg)	2,620	2-1	-	-	Batch	Moore D.	Crombie	Waters	Cooper	Moore K.	Ford	Kilmore	Drinkell	Bonnymman	Whymark	Speight
	Sept. 5	Scunthorpe M.C. (2nd Leg)	3,347	0-0	-	-	Batch	Speight	Crosby	Waters	Cooper	Moore K.	Ford	Kilmore	Drinkell	Bonnymman	Whymark	Cumming
	Oct. 26	Sheffield U. M.C. (1st Leg)																
		Sheffield U. M.C. (2nd Leg)																

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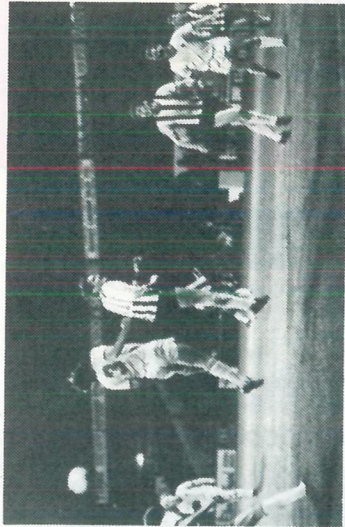
THE GAMES PEOPLE PLAY 1982-83

IN RESERVE

A week last Wednesday a youthful reserve side gained a most creditable draw at Frickley who are members of the Football Alliance League. Playing "friendly" matches against opposition of this stature can only broaden the experience of our younger professionals and at the same time provide vital match practice for senior players out of the first team. Afterwards Dave Booth was full of praise for the hospitality offered by our hosts who were obviously appreciative of our visit. Games like this are thus beneficial to both clubs involved.

In the Northern Intermediate League we are not only waiting for our first result, but also our first goal. Disappointing though this is, certainly during the last two matches, at times, we have shown that we can play well at this high level. With time and patience and hard work we will get it right and the results will then begin to follow. Meanwhile on the Colts scene last Saturday we achieved our first Grimsby League win of the season defeating Seven Seas 4-0 in a fine all-round team performance. A considerable number of players have recently been released at this level as our aim is to lower the average age of our Colts side.

Finally today, whilst hopefully you are enjoying the game against Bolton our under 18 side is playing against Brigg Town in the F.A. Youth Cup. Last season this prestigious trophy was won by Watford, then in Division 2. Last month we defeated Spalding 2-1 in an excellent game and we will be aiming for another victory this afternoon to enable us to progress further in this competition.



Trevor Whymark in action against Blackburn Rovers

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A name for the future

DARRYL CROSS



Darryl is another youngster who joined our apprentice ranks this summer. He plays right full-back and in the short time that he has been at the club he has made sound progress. Originating from Rossington nr. Doncaster, he made the relatively short journey to Grimsby late last season to play in games and was impressive enough to be offered an opportunity at the club.

During the pre-season matches a young Grimsby Town side was taken to Rossington to play against Darryl's former colleagues and I'm delighted to report that we were victorious by 3 goals to one. As is so necessary in modern full-back play Darryl is never afraid to go forward on attack and hopefully should score his fair share of goals. Good luck Darryl for the future.

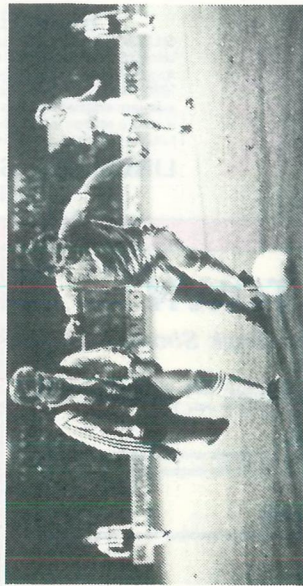
NORTHERN INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE FIXTURES - 1982-83

Aug. 21	Sunderland	0-4	1.00	Feb. 5	Bradford City	11.00
Sept. 4	Newcastle Utd	0-4	1.00	12	Leeds Utd	11.00
11	Hartlepool Utd	0-2	12.00	19	Rotherham Utd	11.00
18	Sheffield Utd	0-1	11.30	26	Doncaster Rovers	11.00
25	Newcastle Utd		1.00	March 5	Chesterfield	3.00
Oct. 2	Leeds Utd			12	Sheffield W.	11.00
9	(LCC 1st)		11.00	19	Barnsley	11.00
16	Middlesbrough		2.00	26	York City	11.00
23	Sheffield W.		12.00	April 2	Chesterfield	11.00
30	Sunderland		1.00	9	Hartlepool Utd	12.00
Nov. 6	Sheffield Utd		11.30	16	Middlesbrough	2.00
13	Barnsley		11.00	23	York City	11.00
20	Doncaster Rovers		11.00	30	Huddersfield T.	11.00
Dec. 4	Leeds Utd		11.00			
11	Bradford City		11.00			
15	Rotherham Utd		11.00			
Jan. 22	Halifax Town		11.00			
29	Huddersfield T.		11.00			

Please note that our Home matches will be played at the Laporte Sports and Social Club, Cleve Road, Grimsby.

NORTH MIDLANDS LEAGUE FIXTURES - 1982-83

Sept. 7	Doncaster Rovers	1-1	Dec. 14	Doncaster Rovers
21	York City		21	Hull City
Oct. 5	Doncaster Rovers			
12	Hull City			
21	Lincoln City		1983	
26	York City		Jan. 4	Lincoln City
Nov. 9	Doncaster Rovers		11	York City
16	Hull City		25	Hull City
23	Lincoln City		Feb. 1	Lincoln City
30	York City			



Kevin Kilmore who scored two superb goals in Towns 5-0 win

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TEAM CHECK

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GRIMSBY TOWN

Black & White Shirts, Black Shorts

1 NIGEL BATCH

Has not missed a game since August 1978. Born in Huddersfield and joined the Mariners from Derby in July 1976.

2 DAVE MOORE

Back in the side after missing two games with a sore throat. Former 'Young Player of the Year' who made his league debut in November 1978.

3 DEAN CROMBIE

Missed the Shrewsbury game with a swollen foot. Now back to fitness.

4 JOE WATERS

Scored a point saving penalty when Bolton last visited. Joined Town from Leicester in January 1976 and scored on his debut at Millwall.

5 NEIL COOPER

Born in Aberdeen, and a former Scottish Schoolboy Cap. Played for his home town club and Barnsley before joining Grimsby last March.

6 KEVIN MOORE

Started his Grimsby career as a full back. Moved to centre back in 1980-81, and has skipped the side on occasions.

7 BOB CUMMING

Impressive performance at Charlton last week. Made his Town debut against Blackburn in August 1974.

8 TREVOR WHYMARK

Scored 14 goals for Town last year. Joined Grimsby in December 1980 from Vancouver and made his debut against Cardiff the same month.

9 KEVIN DRINKELL

Ten goals in all competitions, including an F.L. Trophy hat trick against Sheffield United.

10 PHIL BONNYMAN

Top scorer at Chesterfield last season. Cost Town £80,000 in the close season. Formerly with Glasgow Rangers, Hamilton, and Carlisle.

11 MICKY SPEIGHT

Made his Town debut when coming on as sub at Carlisle. Club captain who undertook similar responsibilities at Sheffield United.

12 KEVIN KILMORE

Scored the winner at Charlton last Saturday after coming on as sub for Trevor Whymark.

BOLTON WANDERERS

Red Shirts, White Shorts

1 JIM McDONAGH

In his second spell with the club, this Eire international started with Rotherham for whom he made 121 appearances.

2 STEVE WHITWORTH

England international full-back and veteran of over 400 League games for Leicester, Sunderland and Bolton. Still to register his first goal.

3 MIKE BENNETT

Bolton-born defender for whom Wanderers are his only League club.

4 JOHN McGOVERN

Player-manager with mammoth task of bringing back the glory days to Burnden Park. Impressive career with Hartlepool, Derby, Leeds and Nottingham Forest — all with Brian Clough.

5 PAUL JONES

This Ellesmere Port-born central defender has topped 400 appearances with the club he joined over 10 years ago.

6 GERRY McELHINNEY

Tall, well-built Northern Ireland international who joined Bolton from Distillery.

7 JEFF CHANDLER

Experienced midfielder who has played for Blackpool and Leeds. Another Eire international.

8 TONY HENRY

A Geordie from Newcastle, this former Manchester City midfielder scored Bolton's goal here in a 1-1 draw last season.

9 IAN MOORES

A close-season free-transfer signing from Orient. Tall striker who has also played for Stoke and Spurs.

10 PETER REID

Much-rated midfielder who has had a chequered career at Burnden Park.

11 NEIL BERRY

Edinburgh-born midfielder for whom Bolton is his only club.

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